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SERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

2. DISCUSSION OF MARIJUANA WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS REVEALS VERY SYMPATHE SYMPATHETIC

ATTITUDE TOWARDS US DRUG PROBLEMS AND ATTEMPTS TO COPE WITH THEM, EVEN TO

EXTENT OF UNDERSTANDING THAT PREVIOUS VIGILANCE IN US DIRECTED TOWARDS

MARIJUANA CONTROL/USERS MUST BE RELAXED BOTH FOR PRACTICAL AS WELL AS SOCIAL REASONS.

3. MARIJUANA, HOWEVER, IS VIRTUALLY SOLE DRUG USED ON THIS ISLAND AND SINCE IT IS GROWN INDIGENOUSLY, LITTLE IF ANY CUSTOMS CONTROL HAS

SPECIALLY DEVELOPED TO COUNTER DRUG IMPORTATION. HOWEVER, OFFICIALS RECOGNIZE THAT BARBADOS IS A TRANSIT POINT ON OCCASION FOR HARD DRUGS AND

CONSEQUENTLY NARCOTICS COORDINATOR AT POST IS CONTINUOUSLY BADGERED TO

HAVE DEA PRODUCE, AS PROMISED EARLIER THIS YEAR, AN AGENT TO TRAIN CONFIDENTIAL

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AND

ASSIST LOCAL POLICE FORCE IN 1) DEVELOPING ANTI-MARIJUANA PROGRAMS
TO INCLUDE
ERADICATION OF THE PLANT ITSELF; AND 2) DEVELOP INTERCEPT
PROCEDURES FOR DRUGS IN TRANSIT.
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